



**Week in Society**

National Convention of colored women in session at Buffalo, and owing to her liberal spirit will offer the privileges of the kindergarten training to the people of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Nickins are happily domiciled at their new residence on 17th street near V street. On Sunday the happy couple received there numerous friends at their former home, assisted by her affable mother, Mrs. J. Anderson Taylor.

Miss Josephine Simpson returned to the city on Friday after a pleasant trip in Virginia. Saturday morning she and her sister Sadie left for Cambridge, Mass.

#### WITTY PUNGENCIES.

An ounce of diplomacy is worth a pound of blunder.  
Speech is silver, silence is golden—and cheek is brass.

A wise man never questions the private age of a woman.  
If time is money, police judges are the most charitable of men.

Be sure you are right—then sit down and enjoy the fruit of your judgment.

Some men call women angels—but then you can't believe a word some men say.

The race is not always to the swift. The fastest colors are those that won't run.

Medicine should be taken at regular intervals, but hints may be taken at any time.

Bear and forbear is good philosophy, but chew and eschew is still better for the dyspeptic.

Says a rural editor: "A smart man is never a success as a fisherman. We have tried it ourselves."

If all the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players, how does the box office induce the ghost to walk?

There must be some mistake about death loving a shining mark, otherwise there would be fewer bootblacks in business.

A rural editor who offered to send a copy of his paper gratis for one year to any person sending him a club of ten, frequently finds a ten spot of clubs in his mail.—Chicago Daily News.

#### THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER.

The earliest mention of shoes is in an Egyptian papyrus, about 2,200 years before Christ.

To drive ants from the lawn fine coal ashes sprinkled about the burrows of ants will cause them to leave.

It is said that the principal fraternal organizations of the United States and Canada have a membership of 5,723,016.

Miss Goodrich, a teacher in a southern mountain school, is encouraging the women in her vicinity to cultivate madder and indigo, and to use the colors from them for their weaving in place of manufactured dye.

The philosopher Confucius, writing of the great Chinese Emperor Yu, said that all his efforts could be summarized in the creation of canals. They were an effective means of diminishing the destructive action of torrents and avoiding inundations, and at the same time afforded a source of irrigation.

The late Sir Frederick Gore-Ouseley, professor of music at Oxford, was once going to call on a friend in London, and asked a fellow-musician the number in which he lived in a certain street. "I don't know his number," answered the other, "but the note of his door-scraper is C sharp." Sir Frederick went off, contentedly kicked the door-scraper all down the street until he came to the right one, when he rang the bell and went in.

#### Big Things in Brazil.

Brazil has the biggest river in the world, the biggest coffee plantations in the world, the biggest bamboos in the world, the biggest manganese mines in the world, the rarest orchids in the world, the biggest iron mountain in the world and the largest rubber trees in the world.

#### Took Him Down.

"No," he said; "I'm not sure whether my wife's birthday gift to me was meant to please me or to humble my pride."

"What did she give you?" asked his friend.

"She had a crayon portrait of me made by an amateur artist."—Catholic Standard and Times.

#### Inventor of the Shirtwaist.

To Mrs. Robert Osborn, of New York, belongs the credit of being the inventor of the now popular shirt waist. A member of the fashionable set at Newport, Mrs. Osborn was an enthusiastic tennis player, and instructed a man shirtmaker of New York to build her a waist after her design to allow free play to the muscles while in active exercise. That first waist was made of pale blue percale, and Mrs. Osborn had the good fortune to originate a style which has stood the test of time. During the recent financial crash her husband lost his fortune, and Mrs. Osborn has started to build a competence by designing gowns. Her dramatic breakfasts and musical teas have won for themselves a place in New York's "400," and they are said to be among the most successful functions ever held in that city.

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## Watson's Park.

#### GENERALITIES.

There is more fruit grown in this country than anywhere else in the world.

Butterflies can stand great cold and still live. Butterflies lying frozen on the snow and so brittle that they break unless they are carefully handled will recover and fly away when warmed.

An English athletic critic says that the love of victory is abnormally developed in Americans. Most anything that has been doing a continuous performance since 1776 is likely to take a pretty strong hold.

The largest square that can be got out of a round piece of metal is found by multiplying the diameter by .7071. From a disc one and one-quarter inches in diameter could be cut a square piece .8838 inch in diameter.

When we look up to the sky we do not see the stars as they are, but as they were years, centuries, even millennia ago. The majority of stars might have been blotted out of existence before the Christian era, and we of to-day should still receive their light and seem to see them just as we do.

The interesting question of the greatest distance at which a cannon can be heard having been raised in Nature, Mr. J. W. Mellet writes, from personal experience, that during the bombardment of Charleston, S. C., by the federal forces in 1863, the firing of the heavy siege guns was heard as far inland as Augusta, Ga., a distance of 122 miles, while at 60 miles the sound was accompanied by a general feeling of tremor.

#### FASHION'S DECREES.

Very pretty girdles are made of white glass silk or white ribbon, appliqued with the new cretonne flowers.

Gay little low shoes have red heels, the front part of the shoe, in which the eyelot holes for the laces are set, being red and the laces light drab silk.

A pretty combination for a stylish summer hat is a white fancy straw trimmed with three or four shades of yellow, either in tulle or chiffon, and flowers, and a black velvet bow at one side.

Some of the handsomest long coats of silk, chiffon, and fringe, and various kinds of fine materials are trimmed with gold lace. This, if it is narrow, will probably be all of the gold, and, if wider, of the white thread. It is beautiful, effective and costly.

Grass linen is going to be very popular this summer. Made over pink, it is exquisite. Mauve, Nile green, lavender and turquoise are all pretty with grass linen, but pink is the shade to bring out its full beauty. Grass linen, by the way, looks better tucked than almost any other summer fabric.

#### Too Much for the Lawyer.

"How old are you?" asked the lawyer.

"I don't know," answered the woman on the witness stand.

"What?"

"I don't know."

"Don't you know when you were born?"

"No, sir."

"You were present at the time, were you not?"

"I am told so, but I have no recollection of the occurrence."

"You are trifling with the court."

"You have repeatedly cautioned me, sir, to state only that which I know of my own personal knowledge, and I have no direct personal knowledge of this subject."

The lawyer looked at the witness and the witness looked at the lawyer, and then the question was passed.

#### While They Have Youth.

Miss Gotham—I understand young May Breezy, of your city, is to be married this month. Do you girls in Chicago usually marry so early?

Miss Jackson Parke—Oh, yes. The earlier the better, you know.—Philadelphia North American.

#### The Cynic's Fling.

Reflective Friend—Nine times out of ten a woman marries a man because she is afraid he cannot live without her.

Cynical Benedick—Yes, but I don't see why she should marry him just to prove that he can.—Town Topics.

#### In the Editor's Family.

Ethel (aged seven)—Tommy, where you s'pose our little brother come from? Nurse says we found him under the gooseberry bush!

Tommy (aged five)—Huh! We didn't, either! Papa took him in on subscription.—Puck.

#### AMUSEMENTS.

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#### GOSSIP OF THE SPORTS.

Cyclists will make Buffalo their Mecca this coming season. The L. A. W. annual meet will be held there in connection with the professional races given by the N. C. A.

Havana is anxious to become a racing center. The New Morales Park association has applied for membership in the American turf congress and proposes to open its season November 15.

The University of Michigan is getting even with the University of Chicago for a galling football defeat last fall. The Wolverines have captured two winter indoor meets from the Maroons.

J. H. Taylor, British open golf champion, has been challenged to play a match by Jack White, professional at the Seaford links, for \$250 a side. The match is to be home-and-home, 72 holes in all.

A remarkable fish yarn comes from Metropolis, Ill., where a Lake Michigan perch was caught in the Ohio river. Chicagoans say the fish descended the drainage canal to the Illinois, thence to the Mississippi and down to Cairo, where it turned up the Ohio.

#### Bluebird in the Tree.

A bill for the incorporation of Ridley, Tenn., has passed both houses of the Tennessee legislature. It contains the following paragraph: "Thence north, 85 degrees east, to a black gum marked with a cross and with mistletoe in the top, and with a bluebird sitting on a limb, which tree is a short distance east of 'Ed' Johnson's horse barn."

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#### Why She Discarded Him.

"Don't despair, Edward, even if father does say you'll be young enough to marry five years from now."

"Oh, I don't care for myself, but how about you?"—Philadelphia Times.

#### Often the Case.

De Funt (fond of conundrums)—What is the difference between a dignified man and a stupid one?

De Blunt—None at all.—N. Y. Weekly.

#### Clubman Consults Thief.

Mr. Clubman (to sergeant at police station)—I would like to have an interview with that burglar you arrested for breaking into my house last night.

Sergeant—I don't know that I can allow you unless you first tell me what you want to see him about.

"Oh, there's nothing secret about it. I just wanted to find out how he got into my house so easily; it's more than I can do at night."—Boston Courier.

#### An Intelligent Machine.

The center slit in a pen is cut by a machine which seems almost to think. It consists of two chisels, which barely pass each other when the slit is made, and the exact way in which the pen is poised so as to place the chisels in the proper position for cutting is one of the marvels of pen-making.

#### Can Always Find Words.

He—This author should be ashamed of himself. A married man, too!

His Wife—What does he say?

"He says that a man's wife 'gazed at him in speechless astonishment.' Why, such a thing is unknown in matrimony!"—Puck.

#### Fit to Die.

"Those pigs of yours," said the country rector, "are in fine condition, Jarvis."

"Yes," answered Jarvis, "sure they be! Oh, sur, if we was all of us only as fit to die as them, we'd do."—Kansas City Star.

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